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| Attorney Docket No.    | KCX-518C (17507C)                                                           |
| First Inventor         | DONALD McMICHAEL ET AL.                                                     |
| Title                  | SURGICAL KIT FOR "PULL" TYPE PERCUTANEOUS ENDOSCOPIC GASTROSTOMY PROCEDURES |
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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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2.  Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.

3.  Specification [Total Pages 22]  
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- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claim(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure

4.  Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [ Total Sheets 7 ]

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